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Producing polyalkylene ether glycol for urethane elastic and thermoplastic elastic materials by ring opening of cyclic ether using as activator carboxylic anhydride with ketene dimer content below 50 ppm

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NOVELTY - Producing a poly(alkylene ether) glycol comprises copolymerizing a cyclic ether in the presence of a catalyst and a carboxylic acid anhydride which has a ketene dimer content 50 ppm or lower.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for a poly(alkylene ether) glycol produced by the process with a hue below 20 APHA units, a process of producing a polyurethane by reacting the glycol with an organic polyisocyanate and an elastic fiber comprising the polyurethane.

USE - The poly(alkylene ether) glycol is used as a raw material for urethane elastic and thermoplastic elastic materials.

ADVANTAGE - The poly(alkylene ether) glycol is less colored.

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